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## MUST BREAK THE

APITALISM'S powers seeking to Hide Terrible Truths revealed by U. S. Industrial Commission—Labor Day's prime

duty to secure widespread publicity—Commission members appeal to people to save their work from suppression.

By IRWIN TUCKER

Editor of "The Christian Socialist"

N THIS Labor Day a concrete, direct and imperative duty confronts every working man and woman. It is to wrest from the strangling hands of Labor's foes,-now seeking to suppress them -the full findings of the United States Industrial Commission, for publication and general distribution.

Capitalism is alarmed, and the Powers of Darkness tremble on their thrones, lest the blaze of light turned upon their evil kingdoms by this Commission should nerve the arm of Labor to action. Wherefore, if there is any way of covering these things up, of hiding them down deep under bottomless layers of obscurity, or swathing them in imperative blackness,-Capitalism will so bury them. For never since the great god Moloch began to crush under his huge bulk the millions of American toilers has so fearful a presentment of the truth revealed the full horrors of his reign.

Already have the Powers of Darkness stretched out their hands to seize and suppress this terrific indictment. Capitalist papers throughout the country ridicule and deride it. Long interviews with prominent bankers and speculators are published, making fun of the Commission and its findings. But all this merriment is on the surface. TRY AND WREST THE TRUTH FROM THE CLAWS OF THE BEAST, AND THEN WATCH IT SHOW ITS FANGS! There is no merriment in the hearts of the men who appear to laugh at the Walsh report. They are savage with furious indignation, and will exert every endeavor to prevent the

### . . . . . ONE DUTY AT THIS HOUR.

truth from being known.

AMERICAN LABOR has at this hour one pressing duty. It is to overpower the choking strangling hands, and give these facts to the light.

NOW, ON THIS LABOR DAY, LET LABOR UNITEDLY DEMAND THAT THE TRUTH SHALL BE KNOWN. Let every labor organi-SHALL BE KNOWN. Let every labor organization, every Socialist organization, every working man and working woman, and every person in sympathy with them, join in a demand to Congress that the full report be printed for general distribution—TOGETHER WITH THE EVIDENCE ON WHICH IT IS BASED.

Do not fear that you are too insignificant to be noticed by your Congressman. Basil Manly, who in this issue appeals for your help, says, "Any personal letter influences any Congressman. He doesn't know whether you are a Socialist, and he doesn't usually care—he wants to please his constituents, and hold on to his job. If he gets a flood of personal letters from different places in his constituency, he figures on a big popular demand. Get your people to writing letters—personal letters. They do the trick."

When you write your Congressman, DEMAND THAT HE VOTE FOR THE FULL PUBLICATION OF THE WALSH COMMISSION RE-PORT AND OF THE EVIDENCE ON WHICH IT IS BASED, in sufficient quantity to give it

to HIS CONSTITUENTS. Never was there so pressing a duty so easily fulfilled. The members of the Commission appeal to you for your help to MAKE THE FACTS KNOWN. Lennon and O'Connell, the Labor members, make this direct appeal as part of

All evidence accumulated, whether by special investigators or at public hearings, will be submitted to Congress, and WE TRUST THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY WILL DEMAND THAT IT BE PUBLISHED IN FULL, partic-

uiarly the following, which are well worth the most careful study by all persons interested in human uplift. The reports cited below have been prepared by competent investigators and were submitted to the Commission after careful investigation and verification by Director Basil M. Manly and by members of the Commission, and are the latest information upon the var-

ious subjects covered by them-Evidence Taken at All Public Hearings.

Causes of Industrial Unrest—by Mr. W. J. Lauck.
Violence in Labor Disputes—by Mr. Luke Grant.
Structural Iron Workors—by Mr. Luke Grant.
Sickness Prevention and Insurance—by Dr. B. S.
Warren.
Mediation, Arbitration and Investigation—by Prof.
Geo. E. Barnett.
Condition of Labor in Principal Industries—by Mr.
Edgar Sydenstricker.

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Efficiency Systems in Industry—by Professor Robert F. Hoxie, Mr. John P. Frey, and Mr. Robert G. Valentine.

Industrial Education—by Com. John B. Lennon.

Labor Complaints and Claims—by Mr. P. A. Speek.

Trade Union Law—by Mr. J. W. Bryan.

Colorado Situation—by Mr. George F. West.

The Telephone and Telegraph Industry—by Mr. Ohristopher T. Chenery.

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P. Harvey.

Labor Conditions in Los Angeles—by Mr. William P. Harvey.

Preliminary Report on the Laud Question—by Mr. Charles W. Holman.

Agricultural Labor and Tenancy—by Mr. John L. Coulter. Coulter.
Unemployment—by Mr. William M. Leiserson.
Extent and Growth of Labor Organizations—by Mr.

Lee Wolman.
Injunctions in Labor Disptes—by Mr. Edwin E.
Witte. The Inferior Courts and Police of Paterson, N. J.— by Mr. Redmond S. Brennan and Mr. Patrick F.

Chinese Exclusion—by Mr. Edward A. Fitzpatrick." Unless YOU make a fight, these terrible indictments of the Capitalist system will be buried from human knowledge. YOU MUST SAVE THEM FROM THAT FATE!

## MANLY APPEALS TO LABOR.

"LABOR MUST PLAY the game, or there is no hope. This is the summary of our report's conclusions," said Basil M. Manly, director of Research of the United States Industrial Com-

Manly engineered the investigation, finding the witnesses who were to testify to the Com-mission, and preparing the fields to be covered. It is he who wrote the report.

"The gist of the whole matter is this," said Mr. Manly; "Labor must organize, and must collectively use our democratic institutions (by which is meant of course the universal ballot) for the introduction of industrial democracy. This is contained in the first paragraph of the summary of our findings."

Look at these words again! Rub your eyes and consider what you see! Here is an official report of a Governmental body of the highest rank declaring that only through the gram of Socialism can the horrible evils which it has revealed be ended. For labor, organized and conscious of its strength, using the ballot to bring about industrial democracy.—This is the full program of Socialism, and nothing else. And this high Commission, after two years of investigation, could see no other way

## EXPLAINS THE DIVISION.

"How about the division in the commission?" Mr. Manly was asked.

"That was quite funny," he said. "Mr. Aishton, Mr. Ballard and Mr. Weinstock announced that they would not sign the main report because it was partisan and unfair. Chairman Walsh asked them to take up the report section by section, and to point out just what they considered partisan and unfair, so that it could be discussed. But they declined the challenge. They wouldn't discuss it—they would not spe-

cify.
"They refused to particularize or to discuss." They would give no facts to substantiate their allegations of unfairness.

"If I signed that thing, I could not go back to Louisville," Mr. Ballard remarked. And that was the only reason he would give for bringing in a minority report. But notice that in this minority report the three representatives of employers admit every thing that is charged

against employers in the main report. First they call the main report partisan; then admit that they themselves are partisan; then admit the charges made, and then say that if they were wage workers they, too, would be unionists, and unionists of the strongest kind.

"In preparing this investigation, we were not looking for new or startling facts; we only sought to lay bare the vital elements of the situation. Now it is up to the general public to back us up. It is of the greatest importance that the evidence should be published for general distribution, so that the people may know the facts and the testimony on which our report was based. Write your congressman a personal letter demanding the publication of the full report. A personal letter always impresses a congressman. Urge all your readmanly and the Commission have done their

work weil. Now Socialists and labor men must back it up.

## RIPS LID OFF CAPITALIST HELL.

BASIL MAXWELL Manly, director of research and investigation for the United States Industrial Commission, is an old hand at the game of ripping the lid off of Capitalism's hell. He has conducted investigations for the United States Bureau of Labor since 1907, when he first joined the Bureau-which has since become a Department. His principal investiga-tions have been the following;

"Woman and Child Labor in the Glass Industry-"Employment of Women in the Electric Lamp Industry—1909."

"Employment of Women in the Electric Lamp Industry—1909."

"labor conditions in the Iron and Steel Industry—1910—11."

(This was the first study of every phase of an industry in the United States—capitalization, unemployment, wages, hours, displacement of men by machinery, etc. It was also the first government document which endorsed the 8-hour day.")

"Increase of prices of anthracite coal—1912."

(This investigation revealed the monopoly in the anthracite field, and showed how under cover of a slight increase in wages the mine owners increased prices to the consumers, resping a clear profit of \$13,500,000.

"United States Industrial Commission inquiry— "United States Industrial Commission inquiry 1914—15."

On August 22, 1915, authority dropped from Frank P. Walsh, and he became a plain unassuming Kansas City citizen. For two years prior to that time he had been chairman of what plutocrats had come to fear as the devil is traditionally reported to fear holy water the United States Industrial Commission. With the stroke of midnight on that Sunday, however, he ended his work and the commission returned to Woodrow Wilson, who gave it.

WALSH WANTS PEOPLE TO FINISH

THE JOB.

"It is up to you fellows now to carry on the work we have done," said Walsh, shortly before his term ended, "We have done our best. Now you must take up the task of giving publicity to all the evidence and information we have amassed.'

"How did you come to be appointed?" 1 asked him. "What office had you held?" "I never held a public office in my life," Mr.

Walsh replied.

"Then why did the President happen to pick you out for this job?"
"I'll tell you. During the heat of the last Presidential Campaign, when Mr. Wilson was in my vicinity, I called on him and said, Roosevelt and the Progressives are making a great deal of their social service planks. It is good stuff. The only way to beat him out is to do that a little better than he does it—to make the appeal a little higher and stronger, for social

"Mr. Wilson said, Good idea. Do that. He made me chairman of the social justice subcommittee of his campaign committee, and dur-ing the last sixty days of his campaign we did a whirlwind business. That is how he happened to know of me."

Frank P. Walsh has been a criminal lawyer practically all of his public life. In the courts of Kansas City he has learned all the dodges and tricks of the criminal at bay. He has learned how to camp on the trail of the evildoer, remorseless and vigilant, until he had uncovered the facts about the crime. This stood him in good stead when he was pursuing the trail of the arch-criminal, the mother of criminals, the Capitalist system. The squirming and parrying of young Rockefeller and old Rockefeller on the stand presented no novelty to him; he recognized the tricks of the criminal's trade-and he tracked them down just as relentlessly until he had uncovered the secret

## Are the Workers of America Opposed to an Eight-Hour Law?

## A FOREWORD

THE National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party wishes to an action of the recent National Convention of the American Federa-

The A. F. of L. has declared that it will hereafter oppose any proposition to establish by law an eight-hour day for male adult

This action of the A. F. of L. is bound to create an immense discussion in labor circles and it is important that every trade unionist should be familiar with the facts.

The Socialist Party at the last elections sent to various State

legislatures twenty-six assemblymen and four State senators, while to the National Congress it elected Meyer London of New York. All these men are pledged by the Socialist program to propose and energetically support an eight-hour law for all workers. It is probable that for several years to come their efforts will be defeated Most of the Democrats, Republicans and Progressives will

vigorously oppose in the future, as they have in the past, all attempts to pass eight-hour legislation. However, in the past such opposition has been considered unfriendly to Labor; but now, after the action of the A. F. of L. Convention, we shall find Democrats, Republicans, Progressives, Manufacturers, Sweaters, Mine Owners and Mill Owners posing an eight-hour law and claiming that THEY ARE CARRY

ING OUT THE WISHES OF THE A. F. OF L.
Against all these forces the Socialists will stand alone. They will be told by some of the officials of the A. F. of L., as well as by reactionary politicians and manufacturers, THAT LABOR DOES NOT WANT AN EIGHT-HOUR LAW. An amazing situation will then exist. THE SOCIALIST FIGHTING FOR AN EIGHT-HOUR LAW WILL BE DENOUNCED AS AN ENEMY OF LABOR. The mass of workingmen, whether unionist or non-unionist, will then be defeated in their efforts to obtain an eight-hour law by the united opposition of the manufacturers and the A. F. of L.

This, it seems to us, will mean the betrayal of labor by the A. F. of L. and, in our opinion, it will bring down upon its head a storm of indignation. Surely trade unionists will not forget that all classes of labor have aided them to improve their condition. Millions of nonunionists have looked with sympathy upon the strikes for better conditions conducted by the trade unionists. Millions of unorganized workingmen have refused to scab because they have seen in the struggles of the trade unionists a little hope for themselves. Moreover, the Socialists have invariably aided the workers in every strike to win the shorter day. If now, when the effort of the mass of working-men to obtain an eight-hour law is growing everywhere, the A. F. of L. deserts them, it is safe to predict that the A. F. of L. will ultimately suffer the most. Any labor body will have much to explain which for any reason finds itself lined up with the manufacturers in opposition to the mass of labor.

It may be that certain officials of the A. F. of L. think that by opposing eight-hour laws they will injure Socialism. Of course, if they have any such idea it may be well for them to think the matter over. If the Socialist Party is the only labor group in America advoa universal eight-hour, law it will soon be discovered that it is the only party in America worthy of the support of all the workers. That will bring us millions of recruits. It will not injure the Socialist Party to have the A. F. of L. oppose an eight-hour law. On the is more likely to divide, disrupt, and perhaps even destroy the A. F. of L.

In the opinion of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, the A. F. of L. has made a serious mistake. Unless it revives its action it is likely to suffer, and we venture to assert that if the mass of trade unionists have any say in the matter, the action of the A. F. of L. will be repealed at its next convention. The group in control of the A. F. of L. however, will only change its action when it is forced to do so by the rank and file. In order to awaken the trade unionists to what is being done in their name we are now publishing the following statement of facts.

VICTOR L. BERGER, LEWIS J. DUNCAN, ADOLPH GERMER,

JAMES H. MAURER, J. STITT WILSON-National Executive Committee. Socialist Party.

THE labor movement has, since its birth, advocated vigorously and incessantly a reduction in the hours of labor. For many decades now it has proposed that no man, woman or child shall be forced to labor more than eight hours out of twentyfour. This has long been an aim of the trade-union and Socialist movements. Indeed, the entire labor movement in this and all other lands has always put the eight-hour day as the first and most important of all its demands. As the French workers put it: Eight hours for work, eight hours for play, and eight hours for sleep.

Many powerful organizations of skilled workers have already obtained the eight-hour day for themselves. Many countries have passed eight-hour laws for the workers of certain dangerous trades, and in several of our own states eight hours has been accepted by law as the legal day for those employed by the muni-

cipalities and by the state. In the early days of the American Rederation of Labor an important was defeated, that ber of States today enjoy the mense eight-hour agitation was aid for some of the strongest trade unions in America. The United Mine Workers of America have built up one of the strongest unions in the world by urging the men to struggle for an eight-hour day, both through agreements with their employers and through legislation.

Men of labor have differed concerning the solution of many social problems. They have been divided into many schools of thought and there has always been in the ranks of labor more or less dissension between the partisans of these various schools. But there has never been any diviamong laboring men as to the eight-hour day. All have recognized its utility and all have agreed that it would be of immense value to those who toil. Could anything be more astonishing then, than to have the American Federation of Labor, at this late day, declare officially that it will oppose a state or national eight-hour law? Yet that astounding policy was announced by the convention of the A. F. of L. held in Philadelphia in November, 1914.

## THE RESOLUTION OF THE CAL-IFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR.

THE MATTER was brought be fore the convention of the A. F. of L. by a resolution introduced by Paul Scharrenberg, of the California State Federation of Labor. This resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, the Seattle Convention of the American Federation of Labor urged upon all State branches to work for the enactment of laws limiting the working hours of women and children to eight per day, and (where such laws already exist) to begin an agitation for the enactment of a general eighthour law; and

Whereas, during the year President Gompers publicly de-clared that the American Federation of Labor does not favor a legal limitation of the workday for the adult male work-

ers; and . Whereas, said statement of President Gompers was very effectively used by the opponents of the shorter workday in de-feating the eight-hour initiative which was before the people of California, Oregon and Wash-ington at the recent general election; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Thirty-fourth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor, that we reaffirm the declaration of the Seattle Convention upon the shorter workday as enunciated in the report of the Committee on Shorter Workday.1

conducted and as a result of the not only oppose the eight-hour law enthusiasm produced by this agitation, the foundations were which the labor movement gives

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them, to defeat one of the most

humane laws ever sought in the in-

terests of labor. Another resolu-tion along similar lines was intro-

duced by Delegates J. A. Taylor, of the International Association of

Machinists; J. G. Brown, of the International Union of Timber Work-

ers; and H. L. Hughes, of the Washington State Federation of Labor

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eight-hour-day laws, but were considerably handicapped in their efforts by reason of the fact that the American Federa-

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Now it will be observed that the States in the West were last year putting forward tremendous effort

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various labor bodies of three great to their ald at such a time? Yet bor, was opposed to an eight-hour www. Undoubtedly the fact that Mr. Genpers' words could be thus used by the employers enabled them to rob all the workers of these Western States of an eight-hour day. SOURTH YOU CAN'T DO WITHOUT ME', I'M THE SUPERIOR SEEKING AN EXPLANATION. NO DOUBT the Manufacturers' APITALISM Edge of Labor's Sword."
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Mr., Gompers: It would oppose

"Mr. Gompers: If I understand and correctly interpret the views of the American Federation of Labor,

"Mr. Hlliquit: Now, let's under-stand that well, Mr. Gompers, for the record. Your opinion is that if there were a movement and a possibility of establishing a shorter workday—say an eight-hour work-day—by legal enactment through-out the land, and a minimum wage in the same way, the Federation would be opposed to such measures?

"Mr. Gompers: It would - - - "8"
We now see that Mr. Gompers is actually and frankly opposed to an eight-hour law. We have also seen that he and others assisted in defeating such laws in California, Oregon and Washington, despite the fact that hundreds of thousands of to pass an eight-hour law. They workers in those States wanted

Mr. Gompers' remarks at the con-The Manufacturers' Association, the most unscrupulous enemy that labor has ever had in any country, ing them carefully we can find only

of labor. On the other hand, the working people, with an enthusiasm people, then you will find that the hardly ever equalled, were fighting working people themselves will fail in complete unity to achieve this to have any interest in your econ great reform. Under the circum-omic organization."

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helpcd them to defeat the working Business is wholesale robbery. men of the West. It has temporarily been set aside The opposition of the employers to make room for war, which is

was to be expected, but who could wholesale murder. labor in this wide world would come here is what happened. A great poster was gotten out by the Manufacturers' Association, and the Metal Trades which told the workers of the West that President Compers, of the American Federation of La-

Association misrepresented some of that there shall be no question that he is opposed to the eight-hour law, let us quote a few words from his testimony before the Commission on industrial Relations. His full re-marks can be obtained and should be read. They have been published in a booklet entitled "The Double

proposition should come by means of a law forcing an eight-hour workday upon all employers in a given state, or, for that matter, throughout the Union, then the Fe deration, as I understand, would not

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they took this critical moment to to pay dues to an organization that denounce eight-hour legislation. In could not hope to obtain for them

Government ownership is mastery so long as the capitalist controls

## ONE MILLION COPIES

Labor Day, this year, would mark an epoch in the progress of the American Labor Movement if one million copies of this issue of The American Soclalist could be circulated among the working men and women of this nation.

You want to do all you can to make the workers think and act for themselves Von want to educate all tollers to organ-ize politically and industrially from the bonds of wage slavery This is your big opportunity to help!
The American Socialist wants

you to be one of 10,000 energetic Socialists to each order 100 coples of this edition and distribute them among your fellow workers. This bundle of 100 copies will cost you 50 cents. But in addition to these 100 copies you will also receive free five copies in booklet form of the great argument appearing in this issue, "ARE THE WORKERS OF AMERICA OP-POSED TO AN EIGHT-HOUR

LAW?" So that while you distribute the papers at your labor day celebration, or from house to house, you can keep the booklets busy among your shopmates for months to come.

Many have already taken advantage of this offer. They have already received their book-lets and their bundles of this issue of The American Socialist. But there is yet time for you if you will but hurry. We are holding the plates of this edition for extra orders. This issue will not only be good for distribution on Labor Day but

all of next week.

Feeling that there are a large number of energetic workers who will want to distribute at least 200 copies of this issue of The American Socialist, here is a second offer. To all those sending in \$1 for 200 copies, we will also send 10 copies of the bookiet, "ARE THE WORK-ERS OPPOSED TO AN EIGHT-HOUR LAW?" and in addition one copy of Robert Hunter's book, "Labor in Politics," which usually sells for 25 cents. Those ordering a bundle of 200 copies for \$1 will therefore receive 75 cents worth of literature in addition. You can't afford to pass this offer by. Make this your work for Labor Day, 1915. Heip make it a one million edition.

The offer made to those send-ing in \$1 for 200 copies will all so hold good for those ordering larger bundles as follows \$2.50 for 500 copies; \$5 for 1.60 copies; \$25 for 5,000 copie

### **GUILTY UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS** AN OPEN LETTER

By GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK Author of "War-What For?"

EAR SIRS:—Your catalogs are before me. In these catalogs you atset forth the advantages to be 1 by young people who attend your utions. Among these advantages are ne specially liberal ones which you hold aut enticingly and particularly to those young people who, you say, are conspicuously above the average in intellectual gifts, to those graduates of high schools and those college students who have indeed already shown that nature with unusual generosity has equipped them for the struggle for existence. These specially liberal advantages are in the form of free gifts which you call "fellowships" and 'scholarships' and which yield the recipients from \$100 to \$1,000 a year, for one or more years. This sum of money is to be used by those who receive it in defraying their expenses for a year and thus protect themselves against economic

called Capitalism. You thus propose to help those most who need help least—those who have already had much training and who have also been discovered to be above the average of those immediately around them in the race of life.

want and worry while they, GRADU-ATES ALREADY, add still more train-

ing, more knowledge, more equipment-

more armor-for the fierce life-strifes of

the struggle for existence under the pres-

ent wage-and-profit industrial system

Admit, gentlemen, the large and illuminating sociological fact; namely, with rhetorical drum and trumpet and other almost coercively seductive catalog and circular advertising you proudly announce that this economic support is for those, and for those only, who, having had opportunity to do so in high schools and colleges, have already proved their superiority in mental endowments. Admit that this economic protection is for those who from nature and training already have great advantages for those while they still further sharpen their intellectual weapons for the battles of In high schools, academies and colleges, thrilled with many forms of inspiring environ ment, those superior young people have already had opportunity to discover and develop their tastes and powers and special gifts; those have already had opportunity to have their ambi-tions roused, their hopes enlarged, and their life plans grandly expanded; those have already had opportunity to demonstrate their strength for the battle and also acquire addi-tional equipment for the race of life.

### SHOULD PROTECT ALL YOUTHS. Those alone you propose to assist with hund-

I do not object to your doing so, and for two reasons I do not object:—because all youths should be protected while they study; and also because what you propose to do gives the lie your own sneer at the poor and ignorant: "Anybody can get an education and succeed, if he wishes to do so."

And that brings me to the main question. gentlemen: What about the TENS OF MIL-

RALPH KORNGOLD, . . . . Circulation Mgr. RYAN WALKER, ..... Cartoonist

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1915.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Here is all the week's news worth white bolied down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they don't have time to read the daily cap

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26.

SATUEDAY, AUGUST 28.

HELP EDUCATE THE EDUCATORS. -This month the fall and winter terms of our public schools begin. From the kindergarten through the state university the struggle will again be on to win the ools for the people. Kirkpatrick's article is therefore more than appropriate at this time. It is a notable contribution to the mass of evidence presented by The Amer-ican Socialist showing how the Big Business interests seek to strangle democracy

We want to put this, "Open Letter to Guilty University Presidents" into the hands of as many educators as possible. We want them to know what we think of them. The American Socialist has a long list of names of educators. But it will cost something to send them all a copy of this issue of The American Socialist. Will you help? Send in as big a contribution as you can afford for this purpose and The American Socialist will do the rest.

LIONS of youths who do not get a SINGLE HOUR of training in even the first year of the high school or academy-what about those who thus BEATEN BEFORE THE RACE BE-

It is about this economically damned and so cially doomed majority that I wish to write a very special word to you.

More than seventy-five in every hundred of all the boys and girls in the United States hever enter even the first year of the high school or schools of the high school grade. Now, place that fact, that big, bald fact, beside the following important statement by the most profound and productive student of human society that the world has yet known, the late Dr.

"But really, for all except the rarest cases, something more than a 'common-school education' is required to insure success. A much broader view of the principal branches of learning is necessary to enable a person of talent or even a genius to select a career and pursue it successfully. The great men of all time have All outside of that group, whathad this... All outside of that group, what-ever may be their native talents, are excluded even from candidacy to achievement."—(Ward: Applied Sociology, pp. 229—30.)
And this from President Butler, of Columbia

"Statistics show that out of 10,000 success ful men in the world in all classes, 8,000 were college graduates... Even your self-made man isn't satisfied unless his son can go to college."—(Chicago Tribune, March 13, 1905.) (Probably far more than 8,000 of the 10,000

were high school or academy graduates) Now, what of the astonishing majority, the more than seventy-five per cent, who do not have opportunity to discover and develop their tastes, their powers and their special gifts? These must make the struggle for existence practically without education, without maturing of their powers, without enrichment of their minds with knowledge, without the inspirations, without the ideals, without the grandly expanded life plans to be secured chiefly in the finely cultural stimulating environment of the high schools and academies and colleges, and universities. These, my learned gentlemen, must face the bitter competitions, the strangling, suffocating competitions of life unprepared, unarmed. And that brings me to my next word with you.

## FAVOR THE STRONG.

. . . .

YOU BELIEVE, you say you believe-in competition and your university trustees, many of them presidents or directors of powerful industrial trusts, force you to say you believe, in industrial competition. You glorify the in industrial competition. You glorify the wage-and-profit competition of capitalism; you this, just this, gentlemen: You seem ridi-

scorn the Socialists who urge co-operationwho urge that in a co-operative commonwealth the economic hand-cuffs shall be stricken from the wrists of all the children of all the people for all time.

But in the distribution of cash-paying fellowships you endeavor to give them to the strong.
And thus, precisely thus, you admit—your action proves that you believe—that the competition of the present order of society is so fierce, so hot, so crushing and disastrous, that even these specially gifted ones, the unusually powerful ones who have already had much training—you admit that even these in the training—you admit that even these in the coarse, crude, brutal competition of the present social order would probably fall short of their glory, fall short of lives of greatest possible usefulness, fall short of conspicuous success, without your ECONOMIC SUPPORT, without your gladly and proudly offered cash assistance while they further prepare for success, honor and social service.

So even these powerful and already trained young people—even these — NEED HELP do they? Indeed!

Well, what of a social system so fiercely competitive and so wolfishly unjust that even these discovered, specially strong young people, already considerably trained, are in danger? What of a social order so cruelly unfraternal, so swinishly competitive that it would balk even these discovered choicest ones short of full maturity of their powers and usefulness if they were left without economic protection while they study still further? If these do not need this economic defense while they study, why do you give it to them? Surely you would not belittle education by offering bright and economically comfortable young men and wo-men an expensive toy—say five hundred dol-lars in 'pin money'— to induce them to study hard? As men of intellectual distinction and great moral influence have you so little in your repertoire of inspirations for aspiring human souls that you must offer these young people paltry, filthy cash as an incentive and goal? No, no—your catalogs explain that you seek to economically assist and protect strong but poor young people, already much developed, because you know that they, even they, actually need the money to complete their necessary systematic development by means of prolonged aca-

Clearly your action in the distribution of these fellowships is implied admission that the Socialists are correct in contending that the present competitive wage-and-profit system involves so much poverty, such heavy poverty as to arrest and wreck the intellectual development of the majority,—that the present system is so cruelly fierce and so disastrously harsh that you gladly and proudly rush — must rush—to the economic rescue of even the admittedly strong members of society who have already had years of training and encouragement for the struggle for existence.

## DICE OF LIFE ARE LOADED.

GENTLEMEN, under the present competitive system the dice of life are loaded against both the bright and the dull children of the poor, and your own actions prove that you yourselves believe this to be the situation. You yourselves are constantly whining at the millionaire's back door for money to establish cash fellowships with which, as with life-preservers, you can rescue, at least a few from the bitter storms of competitive life. But I must remember the storms of competitive life. ber that you are cultivated gentlemen whom I must address in the gentle language of polite society. Well, then, let me use the sweetly metered smoothness, the rhetorical honey, the flute-like softness of graceful phrase appropriate in addressing your academically sensitive and shrinkingly vulnerable natures,—let

culously inconsistent, vulgarly illogical, mockingly insincere—and contemptible. With your learning, your eloquence, and your unusual moral influence you defend the competitive system that forces you to cringe and fawn before coarse-grained, lard-and-tallow, morally barbaric millionaires, forces you to tease these industrial caesars for some of their blood-stained money for fellowships with which you may rescue at least a few dozen of their mentally gifted but economically plundered and pauperized victims.

Have you no shame? Really, have you forgotten how to blush? Has the competitive system of society so poisoned the well-springs of manly pride that you are become incapable of Christlike indignation, incapable of hot resentment for the merciless tyranny of masters who force you to crawl and whine and also force you to teach a falsehood and commit a social treason? Has your intellectual serfdom morally emasculated you?

Get up! Stand once erect! Show us the soulshine of men, defiantly proud men, men too finely proud to defend a system that perhaps robbed their own fathers and mothers of the greatest thing in the world, a liberal education. Show us men too noble to mock their own families-perhaps their own uneducated mothers whose gnarled hands in days gone by were blistered and calloused with toil in furnishing their sons economic support while they studied in college. Come! Speak out, gentlemen. What message of cheer have you for the vast majority, some of whom no doubt are weak, many millions of whom are surely splendid, capable average, and great numbers of whom capacite average, and great numbers of whom are doubtless magnificently gifted, but many millions of whom are IN THE TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE CURSED OBLIVION OF FATALISTIC POVERTY—what message have you for this mighty host whom the coarse and brutal rudeness of the competitive system robs of the privilege of even the first year's training in the high school? What message of cheer have you for the lean and bony little girls toiling in the cotton mills of New England and the South, competing, each pale, hungry, ragged child competing, aye, competing with a multi-million dollar corporation? What mes-sage have you for the tender little boys in the breakers of the Anthracite Coal Trust? cheering message have you for the multitude of little dust-breathing consumptives who slave the great department stores, each child, each alone, competing against a gigantic corporation? These, all these are helplessly young, helplessly small, helplessly ignorant,

helplessly inexperienced, and helplessly poor. These—and millions of others in factories and shops, and in petty rented or mortgaged farms—have NO SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITY TO PROVE their intellectual gifts—they have no economic support while they study. What message have you for this host of helpless girls and boys whose intellectual eyes are burned out by the blistering heat of the competitive system? Stunned and balked by the brutallties of the competitive wage-and-profit system, these are helpless, AND YOU KNOW THEY ARE HELPLESS. These have no opportunity—they lack economic defense while they en-

rich their minds, polish their pearls and prove their gifts. You well know that a mentally gifted child though keenly willing to study, may nevertheless grow up to be a stupidly ig-norant man or woman. These ignorant children in the mills and mines, competing against profiting-lusting employers, are struggling, asping for the economic breath of mere animal existence, while you admit that even the brilliant and powerful young men and women who already have high school and perhaps several vears of college education need economic protection while they prepare further for lives of usefulness and honor and the many deep pleasures of mental maturity. Speak distinctly, please,—What is your message for the ignorant youths whose joyless lives are stuffed and damned with poverty and toil, whose hopes are stillborn, whose souls shrivel in the fires of competition while you mock them?

### NO MESSAGE OF CHEER.

FOR THIS sweat-stained host, barred by poverty from the halls of learning, you have no sincere message of cheer. And later when these economically helpless children of wage-paid slaves are grown to men and women—what then? Will you then, your eyes burning with scorn, your lips curling with contempt, — will you then with your rented tongues, your rented culture, your rented rhetoric and your rented eloquence further damn these lost ones with stinging, viperons insult. "Ignorant nobodies!"

Shame! Shame upon you! How long will you defend the system that makes toadies of you and dulls the bright eyes of the children

Will you reply that "in this country oppor-tunities are abundant for anyone to get an education who has brains enough to make it worth while to be educated?" How is it then that the children of the uneducated poor prevented by poverty from proceeding further with their education, make just as good records in the lower grade schools as the children whom you need to help after them have fortunately gone. seek to help after they have fortunately gone through the high school and part way, or perhaps all the way, through the college?

IF SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITIES ARE ABUNDANT FOR ALL WHY DO YOU FURNISH SPECIAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO

Opportunities? Consider what I have just

uoted above from Professor Lester F. Ward's Applied Sociology, which work is indeed largely an exhaustive investigation of the sociological and educational significance of opportunity and of the lack of opportunity.
"Opportunities are plentiful — and anybody can succeed in this country who wishes to do

so," — did you say? What you say thus of opportunity is false, you know it is false, and you prove that you believe it is false when you rush to the rescue of a few discovered specially strong young people with fellowships and thus economically defend even these trained, discovered, favored ones against the saber-like teeth of the wolves of poverty.

With pity and contempt I say to you that the hideousness of poverty is surpassed only by the tragedy and shame of strutting, suave and smiling intellectual prostitution. As for pros-

titutes I have more respect, a great deal more respect, for my infinitely humbled sisters, painted slaves of pimps and policemen, lashed into the street by poverty to rent the mocking smiles that hide their anguish, to rent the very temples of their souls to unwashed babbling brutes-of-lust for money enough to live on day by day— I have more respect for these, for any one of these, in the desolation and degradation of her sex prostitution than I have for the most 'cul-tivated' intellectual prostitute that ever rented his brain, milked a plutocrat for gifts with enslaving 'understandings,' strangled a fearless professor, and helped damn the millionaire's victims in poverty and ignorance with the crnel slander that "the poor and ignorant are poor and ignorant because they haven't brains enough to be otherwise."

## YOU HAVE NO MESSAGE.

I have asked you for your message of cheer for the poor.

You have no message for the poor. You? You! You fawning fops-and-serfs, fat-tened on "conditioned" endowments, protected with salaries tainted with the blood of children gasping in the ignorance of poverty and the poverty of ignorance, you prideless tools and toads of capitalist caesars, hired to pollute public opinion with your poisoned piffle and your learned sneers at the uneducated poor - you have no message: crawling, prostrate moral eunuchs, that you are in the academic he-harems of the plutocratic masters of the world. you-you have no message for the bright-eyed, keen-brained children of the poor wallowing UNINSPIRED AND UNPROTECTED in the

ignorance of poverty.

No university, silently or openly agreeing to strangling "understandings" for "conditioned" gifts from plutocratic filehers of the fruits of toil—no such university ever helped free an economic slave class. No such university ever even tried to do so. And whenever in such an institution some brave teachers have raised their voices in criticism of despotism and in de-fense of the hosts that sicken in ignorance and poverty—such teachers have been silenced or promptly driven from the university or college. With no thanks to you, guilty presidents of universities, we of the working class will hew our own way to freedom through the mountains

in the path of human progress. Servile assas-sins of academic freedom of discussion, boss strike-breakers of the professional nobility who strive for the right to teach without toadying, we expect nothing from you except hollow mouthings and cruel slanders. We know you. And, fortunately, we also know this: In the lower grade schools our children matched your children and the children of your masters too, IN BRAINS. - matched them there till poverty kidnapped our boys and girls and drove them to the mills and mines and factories of the class who pay your salaries for your cunning silence

of prejudice and slander you have helped build

or for your shameless slanders. And that fact makes us scorn your slander and inspires us to challenge you to the battle of brains for the rights of the brain.

Each year now we more thoroughly UNDER-STAND YOU — and YOUR KIND.

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Jersey, told the gathering of governors at Boston, Mass., what ails the state militia. He said:
"The trouble with the militia or national guard in this country today is labor's attitude toward

Labor claims the militia is control-

led by the employers and manu-

facturers and in some unions mem-bers are forbidden to join." He declared that this objection could be eliminated by removing Gompers' position here? Does not from the militia's duties, strike or riot duty and leaving it to municipal and civil authorities to whom it rightfully belongs. But there is a weak spot in the New Jersey governor's logic. If the workers know enough to refuse to kill their fel-

German government says it is sorry for Yoss of American lives on the Arabic. May avert break with the United States. Germans deny Russian claim of great navia victory in Guif of Rigs.

American vice consul returns from Russia and declares Petrograd is placarded with spipeals to the people to revolt. United States plans to govern Haiti. Denied that U. S. has man in view as Maxican chief. The state militia is an organized brutality, to oppose an eight-hour law when the workers of Califor-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25.

German Imperial Chancellor states that in graine went beyond his instructions in the Arabic case, the imperial government would not hestate to give complete satisfaction to the United States.

Rocevel speaks to "business men soldiers" in camp at Platsburg, N. Y., declaring U. S. should be ashamed for not standing up for Eeigium.

New York World publishes letter showing Germany fears future of United States as great a crime as killing within a nation and the time when workers will refuse to kill each other under any conditions is rapidly approaching.

OUR OWN PRESS.

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North Carolina Senator advocates bond issues to pay for larger navy.

FEIDAY, AUGUST 27. ahould be a lesson to the workers through the development of the of the land. They must know now, human race to higher and better Pres. Wilson will try to persuade Great if they didn't know it before, that conditions, and that the workers in order to get the information that must strive to attain better conditions. Britain to raise its blockade of neutral European countries.
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the workers to get better wages or shorter hours. But what about Mr. law for the benefit of all those who a day." So much for the shame-shorter hours. But what about Mr. law for the benefit of all those who as day." So much for the shame-less craft spirit of one man and his their energy to obtain an eight-hour seven and seven and one-half hours Gompers' position here? Does not the his opposition to the eight-hour law they have been successful in obtain- little organization who actually oping by law a reduction in the hours poses an eight-hour law for the mean that he wishes to keep the mass of workers toiling ten, eleven the millions because it might interfere and twelve hours a day in order that man and children. In the three with his petty little craft obtaining men and children. In the three
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day. These are the amazing arguperation into the unions? Does he carrying on an agitation for an ments against an eight-hour law of eight-hour law, the Socialists have been enthusiastic supporters of two highest officials in a labor such a measure. The Socialists of movement that was built up to fight supported such a law regardless of men of America that their officials whether or not it would tend to should be held strictly responsible make the workers contented. Un- for their actions. In reality there questionably if an eight-hour day is no difference between your selwould make men satisfied with their ected representatives in the Conlot it would be likely to hurt So-cialism as much as it would trade sets of officials should be watched, unionism. Why, then, did the So- their actions recorded, and they cialists fight for the eight-hour day? Should be defeated or returned ac-Because, first, they are in favor of cording as they have served the inany measure that will benefit labor, terests of those whom they represand, second, no Socialist believes ent. the coming of Socialism must be

Agents Sample Raincoat \$2.98. As a rule the mass of Socialists watch carefully the actions of their in order to get the information that touches their interests the closest they must have their own press.

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for all those who toil, MR. DUNCAN'S OBJECTION TO AN EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

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thing more, they will also strive harder for a better and higher life

HAVING DEALT with one of Mr. Gompers' objections to an eighthour law, let us now turn to one objection presented by Mr. James Duncan, next to Mr. Gompers the highest official in the A. F. of L. Mr. Duncan's view is no less damaging than that of Mr. Gompers It is the essence of craft selfishness. help to bring about better conditions?

"Mr. Hillquit: By no manner of means: just the contrary Sixty persons hurt in two crashes of Chicago elevated trains.

\$20,000,000 more in British gold arrives in United States and is sent to J. P. Morgan & Co., in Wall Street.

Two more negroes lynched, this time at Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Powder mills at Wilmington, Del., and Acton, Mass., blown up. Baltimore, Md., shrapnel plant hit by fire.

THE MILITIA.

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"Mr. Hi the Socialists on the ground that they do not want any improvement the do not want any improvement they do not want any improvement in the conditions of the working class. They have repeatedly charged Socialists with wishing to have the Socialists with wishing to have the socialists where the deliver to describe the Anarchists adopt as their mother. That's the unvarnished fact. And as, the Socialists' motto is, "The better." working class driven to desperation, in order that they may revolt. A few facts will determine whethat thousand times Mr. Gompers has assailed the Socialist as being the enemies of the working class. He has claimed that they do not want the workers to get better wages or such a measure. The Socialists of Los Angeles, California, were among those first to initiate the proposition for eight hours that received in the general referendum 341,000 votes. Needless to say, they have such a law regardless of the masses in the shops?

Surely it is obvious to the union man of America that their officials

> The A. F. of L. and the Socialist jure either trade unionism or So-Party are both organizations that olalism. On the contrary, it is the claim to represent labor, and both conviction of every prominent So-should be watched most carefully cialist that when you have freed by the masses to see that neither the men from the brutalizing toil of one or the other takes any action eleven and twelve hours a day and that tends to injure labor. Moregiven them leisure to think, they over, any Socialist or trade-union will become more conscious than official who misrepresents labor ever of their true interests. As should be retired by the organized forces of Socialism and labor.

officials. They have the referendum and the recall which enables them to veto the actions of their officials or to retire them whenever they misrepresent the move-

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THERE IS YET time for hundreds, if not thousands, of locals to repond to this call. If only 350 locals would send in the \$2 asked, the :2,000 mark would be reached and passed.

The "ORGANIZE FOR" 1916!" campaign has already been started in it least three sections of the country. But the next meeting of the national executive committee will mark the time for the big national move forward. In the New England states F. H. Maxfield is busy reorganizing and

putting life into the old locals, starting new locals and building up the novement generally. His work has been confined to Maine, New Hamp-shire and Vermont. Watch these states come to the front. W. R. Snow is busy out in Idaho where the Socialists have a representative in the state legislature. The Socialist sentiment is growing in

his state as well as in the neighboring states of Montana and Washingon. The Pacific northwest will surely be heard from in the 1916 march

oattle. Plans are now on foot to give them every aid possible in the "OR-JANIZE FOR 1916" campaign. The Mississippi organization will be given all support possible in the pending state election when the Socialists will make a determined effort to cast three per cent of the total vote. This will give them a permanent legal position on the ballot. Negotiations are now being carried on with State Secretary Ida M. Raymond to determine what support can be given the Mississippi Socialists by the national or-

Cornelius Lehane continues on his triumphant tour through the west. He is now on the Pacific Coast. Reports tell of the big reception being given the eloquent Irish Socialist everywhere. He is doing much to arouse an interest in Socialism among the trade unionists. His story of the cooperation between the Socialist Party and the trade unions of Ireland is opening the eyes of the workers to the possibilities of political

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THOMPSON: McCrillis, Kirkpatrick,
Williams, Streiff, Revellse, Robertson,
Demarest, Wattles, Millard, Hillquit, Lunn,
Metcalf, Duncan, Ruthenberg, Maurer,
Hamilton, Terlisner, Griffith, Gilleard,
Johnston, Wilkins, Neistadt, Raymond,
Whaley, Norton, TOTAL 25.
WILLIAMS: Kintzer, Doyle, Katterfeld, Sadler, Bell, Warnock, Canright,
Stedman, Tiller, Ambler, Seldel, Kirkpatrick, Clark, Revellse, Robertson, Ter-

total of \$1,379.78. But a big plunge forward must be made during he next week or 10 days. Every Socialist local in the land should be vitally interested in in-

You can do it! The next executive committee meeting will start

IN THE SOUTH the Socialists continue fighting an uphill but winning

and industrial unity in the United States.

This is the necessary work in the "ORGANIZE FOR 1916!" campaign. This work must be broadened and strengthened. See that your local is enrolled in the great struggle by contributing its share in the "ORGANIZE FOR 1916!" fund.

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### OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Seconds to Referendums.

by Local Omega, Florida.

BY FRESHO: CALLIF: - 'Proposing an endmont to Article X, Section 3 of the tional Constitution providing that: 'No imber of the Socialist Party shall under y circumstances vote for, support or any candidate for office in opposin to the regularly selected candidate the Socialist Party. First published by 3, 1915). Seconded by Locals: chmond, Calif., and Alpine, Calif.

BY MARX. WASH: (Pronostine that

(To susn, providing for Conventions, for the 1916, and that the National Executive

NATIONAL COMMITTEE BUSINESS.

Chicago, Ill., August 23, 1915.
To the National Committee.

Dear Comrades:—I herewith report the result of the second ballot for the Committee on Constitution.

The votes cast for each candidate are a follower.

as follows:

BEARDSLEY: Reid, Strebel, Allen, Lunn, Beardsley, Revellise, Seldel, Wattles, Slayton, Garver, Duncan, Hillout Kirkpstrick, Maurer, Norton, Strelff, Sultor, Metcalf, Ambler, Irish, Sinclair, Stedman, Rodriguez, Millard, Johnston, Tiller, McTillis, Solomon, Latimer. TOTAL 29.

GOEBEL: Neistadt, Canright, Warnock, Raymond, Jones, Kintzer, Robertson, Whaley, Gilleard, Doyle, Hamilton, Demarest, McCrillis, Stedman, Sinclair, Irish, Ambler, Metcalf, Suitor, Norton, Maurer, Kirkpatrick, Hillquit, Duncan, Garver, Blayton, Wattles, Beardsley, Lunn, Strebel, Terlisner, Clark. TOTAL 32.

KATTERFELD: Neistadt, Canright,

\*\*MATTERFELD: Neistadt, Canright, Warnock, Raymond, Jones, Kintzer, Whaley, Gilleard, Doyle, McCrillis, Metcalf, Duncan, Garver, Slayton, Reid, Allen, Tller, Latimer, Griffiths, Katterfeld, Ruthenberg, Sadler, Bell, Clark, Plmbley, Williams, Wilkins, Slnclair. TOTAL 28.

llsner, Griffithe, Joanston, Wilkins. TO-

TAL 19.
TOTAL NOT VOTING THIRTEEN: Finke, Schwarts, Brewer, Nuorteva, Roewer, Rissanen, Nichols, Goebel, LeSueur, Holt, Leeland, Burgess, Berger.

A majority of the committee, 38, necessary to alect.
Walter Lanfersiek, having received 34 votes, is elected.

According to Rule 10 of your committee, I am re-submitting the eight names receiving the next higest votes. Vote for four. Vote closes September 11th, Kindly use the inclosed ballot.

Fraternally submitted,
Walter Lanferslek, Executive Secretary.

COMMENT ON NATIONAL COMMITTEE

BEPORT ON NATIONAL COMMITTEE

MOTION No. 16.

An appeal from the action of the National Executive Committee on the raquest submitted by Courade Meyer London, referring to the Peace Proposals of the Garman comrades. QUERY: "Shall the Executive Committee be sustained?"

Voting Ves.

Robertson, Finke, Beardsley, Norton, Wilk, Kirkpatrick, Latimer, Garver, Demarest, Metcalf, Ruthenberg, Streff, Ambler, Gilleard. TOTAL VOTING YES, 14.

Doyle, Williams, Griffiths, Fimbley, Clark, Stedman, McCrillis, Iriah, Nalstadt, Warnock, Raymond, Canright, Lunn, Strebel, Tiller, LeSteur, Wilkins, Hamilton, Sinolair, Reid, Revelise, Terlisner, Bell, Suitor, Katterfeld, Saller. TOTAL VOTING NO, 26.

Seidel declined to vote.
Allen voted to table the subject coverad by motion.

Not Voting.

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Johnston, Rodriguez, Wattlss, Brewer, Millard, Jones, Nuorteva, Roewer, Rissanen, Duncan, Whaley, Nichols, Goebel, Hillquit, Solomon, Holt, Maurer, Siayton, Lesland, Burgess, Kintzer, Berger, Seldel.

TOTAL NOT VOTING, 23.

The motion to reverse the action of the Executive Committee is therefore carried, and the Executive Committee is not sustained.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS.

elected to the National Committee.

VERMONT: Pending an election, C. H.
Reynolds, of Barre, has been appointed
State Secretary to succeed Gilbert Phil-

llps. resigned.

NEBRASKA: G. C. Porter, Morrill,
Nebr., has been elected State Secretary
to succeed Ethel J. Shafer, resigned. TO SOCIALISTS AND SOCIALIST
LOCALS.

The Socialist local of Joplin, Mo..
wante to warn the Socialist Party against one. W. E. Clark who has been expelled from the Joplin local because of his disreputable acts.

## MAKE IT \$2,000 BY SEPT. 11 LABOR DAY SENTIMENT

By EUGENE V. DEBS

ODAY we socialist comrades celebrate yal fellowship comrades clasp the hands of the Revolution:

The Revolution sweeping from pole to pole and all around the earth; the Revolution that is to strike the fetters from the toiling millions, put an end to war and bloodshed and humanize the race; the Revolution whose mission it is to free women and make them the comrades and equals of men, empty the factories and sweatshops of little children and put the red roses of life and joy in their cheeks, and make this a world of loving comrades.

Today I hear the heart-throbs of fifty millions of my comrades and with this mighty swelling anthem the innumerable proletarian host, lifting their bowed and weary forms from the dust of the ages and turning their eager faces toward the purpling East, are keeping step with the Grand March of the world-wide Social Revolution.

We stand erect this day and greet one another with loving salutation; we consecrate ourselves anew to the Great Cause; we pledge our lives and honor to one another, and in lo-

comrades all around the world.

This day we remember Pat Quinlan and John Lawson; we remember Rangel and Cline, Suhr and Ford and all our heroes who behind prison bars are paying the penalty of their loyal devotion to the working class. We hail them as our bravest comrades and we shall turn their cruel prison sentences into instrum ents of emancipation.

Today we stand more staunchly than ever before for the industrial union and the Socialist party; for economic and political solidarity and for education and organization of the toiling masses along the uncompromising lines of the Revolution.

Today we close up the ranks and feel the touch and thrill of unity and power; we dismiss doubt and banish fear. Our feet are on the rock, our hearts are in the cause, and our heads among the stars.

The dawn of Freedom is in the Eastern skies and the future is for Socialism and Humanity, for Brotherhood and Peace, for Life and Love for all the Race!

## MACHINISTS' DELEGATE URGES EIGHT-HOUR LAW BY BALLOT

(Continued from Page Two.)

ment. The rank and file of the A.

of L DO NOT UNDERSTAND.

To a great degree the mass of as, unfortunately, only a few thousand ever read the proceedings of the of L. there is printed only the general summaries of what has happened. In this manner the masses are kept in far more complete ig-

ALABAMA: Emma F. Connolly, Box ers of this movement from the bot-Birmlngham, Ala., has recently been tom up—used this statement to the cted to the National Committee. detriment of the men and women in the State of Washington and other States on the Pacific coast to defeat that law.

## FOUGHT BY EXPLOITERS.

gates of this convention to under-

Washington, that the machinists' organization spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to force them those States. He ended his address. F. of L. has neither the referendum to give the eight-hour day, said:
nor the recall and no means, therefore, of reaching the higher offices and Federation of Labor, denouncials of the A. F. of L., except by ces a compulsory eight-hour law, clecting pledged delegates to the initiative Measure No. 13. He says conventions of the A. F. of L. In that if there were a movement to the past it has been the habit in establish an eight-hour day and a of the unions to elect the minimum wage he would oppose

the proceedings of the A. F. knows, a compulsory eight-hour day time.

the United States.

Realising these facts, it seemed worth while to publish in cheap pamphlet form some extracts from the more important addresses deal worth while to publish in cheap pamphlet form some extracts from the more important addresses deal worth while to publish on the eighthour day. No doubt they will aston as well. There is no thing in this resolution, there is no lists and it is sincerely hoped that it is little pamphlet will be brought to the attention of the great mass of men who are working in the mills, mines and factories ten and elsevant over any out. The men and women hours a day. After all, it is they and not their officials who should have an eighth-bour day. They must have a meighth-bour day of california, Oregon and woshing in the mills, mines and factories ten and eighth of the decide whether or not they should have an eighth-bour day. They must have a dream that the American Federation of Labic and the committee on the committee on the committee on the committee on the proposing to make now.

It is is up to them to decide whether to have a unit whether it is better to have a unit.

The decide whether or not they should have an eight-hour day. They must have done that had it not been and eight-hour day. They must have done that had it not been and the report. Persaps I would amount to stip, 250 per year.

The should be a slight for the effort to burn gunpwater the second time. The committee has a suggested by our Extending the feet that the American Federation of Labic to burn an eight-hour day to be a slight to the effort to burn gunpwater the second time. The committee ha The motion to reverse the action of the dadded by Local Las Cruses, N. Mex.

WARREN, OHIO: (Proposing that 1915 Nortion, N. Mex.; Tampa Br. Exc.; Nortion, N. Mex.; Tampa Br. Eligible of the consideration of the

LeSueur votes VES. Maurer and Goe
bel vote NO.

On amendment by Goebel (Motion K.):
Goebel, Germer and Maurer vote YES.
LeSueur votes NO.

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LeSueur votes NO.

On amendment by Goebel (Motion K.):
In connection wit above report, we are in receipt of a motion in the National Committee to reverse your action.
The connection will be sent to the committee for motion is flied by Comrade Losis Boudin, and will be sent to the committee to and their liours, of labor.

On Motion (L) by LeSueur, to author to the Benedites of the employers in the leaders of the employers in the State of Washington, where they worker S. Saleur, and Germer votes NO.

ACTION TAKEN.

Walter Lanfersiek, Executive Secretary.

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at the convention was that of A. J. employes or women and children

San Francisco. | cease, and they may as well "If you adopt this resolution (one In justice to the president wear and still support your family for most of the female workers and workers that they are wrong?"

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it is becoming dangerous and we must stop: but the trouble with the committee is, it is stopping at just The owner of a large plantation the important place. Perhaps if you in Mississippi, where the fine figs let the workers in the Western grow, is giving away a few five- States get over this stage of the acre fruit tracts. The only condi- journey they may be able to join you "I have here a poster that was put tion is that figs be planted. The and willing to join you, on the proup all over the State of Washington. owner wants enough figs raised to position of wages and other legis-I wish to read it. I want the dele- supply a co-operative canning fact- lation. The plumbers, the firemen ory. You can secure five acres and the engineers, the electricians and stand that I am not personal at all; an interest in the canning factory by half a dozen other organizations in rom the Jophin local because of his diseputable acts.

I do not want to be construed in that manner. But I have got to make this statement, because it is They will plant and care for your men in many States. To such an ports that on an average all the a statement of fact and it is neces- trees for \$6 per month. Your profit extent do they do that, you cannot workers of America are out of employment one-fifth of the time. Nationally this means wester individually it bridgs went.

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enactment is wrong.'
"I hope this will be borne in mind

having been up and down the coast and into the States of Arizona, New in that part of the country, that ventions. And you want to send the delegates of the West back and say the American Federation of Labor has said in convention, 'In so far as you try to enact a legal By far the most effective address workday for other than Governmen same men year after year, and there such policies. Mr. Gompers ought at the convention was that of A. J. seems to be no doubt that a well to know, and he does know, and organized national machine domine every intelligent laboring man San Francisco. knows, a compulsory eight-hour day my volument of the you have done in the pastr A few was eight hours instead of teh, you have done in the pastr A few used against him he said that in no anion men do not understand that, and maybe lose your job altogether? days ago you re-adopted the sea- sense should his statements be used Do you want to quit having over-time? Your employer cannot give my years in the past, and that meas-ter. But they were used, and with COMMENT ON NATIONAL COMMITTEE MOTION NO. 16.

BELL: In spite of deft handling of text of motion by Goebel in his retort against appeal, the action of the Exacutive Committee is an endorsement of the endo

pened. In this manner the masses are kept in far more complete ignorance of what happens at the A. F. of L. conventions than they are of what happens in the Congress of the United States.

Realising these facts, it seemed worth while to publish in cheap pamphlet form some extracts from

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"I want to use just an old dogger- form any part of the routine work Chicago, Ill., Aug. 26, 1915.

To the Executive Committee.

Dear Comrades:—I report to you as follows:

ON MOTION (J) BY LE SUEUR, to Extremely to Persent our peace program at the Friends of Pace Convention at the Friends of Pace Convention at the Friends of Pace Convention at Chicago, Sept. 6:

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gerous thing?

"In the Western States the miners, the garment and several other trades have petitioned the State Legislature to enact this legislation limiting the hours, and have succeeded. What do you propose to do in this convention? You propose to send the delegates of those Western States back to your own men and say: 'You are crazy! You don't know what you are talking about, and hereafter when it comes to the legal enactment in regard to your workday as to Government employes you must stay away from the Legislature, because your organization in convention has stated that the legal

and it is not a threat in any sense but in every sense is true-that the effort to keep your men within the fold, and you international officers ought to remember this, that the effort to keep a good many of your men in the fold in the Western States, is tremendously hard. Just men in the fold in the Western States, is tremendously hard. Just why that is so some of us have never been able to ascertain, except that it is this: That a man living in a country not surfeited withings and not surrounded by so many things as in the Eastern cities likes to move in the most direct way to get what he wants. He lives in a country that has not removed very far from the direct. moved very far from the direct stage of things, and he wants to move, and move as fast as he can to the thing he wants.

## FIGHT IN CALIFORNIA. "I believe, and I believe it frank-

there is growing a division—it may

## CALLS OPPONENTS FOOLS.

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6 Report of Proceedings, A. F. of L. Office. Convention, 1914, p. 437.

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The remainder of Comper's argu ment against the Elght-Hour Law and the vote by delegates of the American Federation of Labor on this important question appears in full in the Labor Day Bundle Edition of The American

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LETTER MISLEADING. - A letter nublished in a recent issue of American Socialist is very misleading. The writer states that he understands "that a referendum is being voted on in California whether there shall be fusion of the Socialist Party in that state with a capitalist party."
THERE IS NO TRUTH WHAT-

 GEO. W. DOWNING. If we knew how much we knew. how much would we know that we

knew?

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by the army of the "Ons." Will this be the last? Some say that it will. The Lecture Course brigade is

now nearing the trenches and that brigade is full of fight and of fire The Eastern Division of the brigade is now putting its guns into position and before General Plute knows it, he will be attacked both from the front and from the rear by the terrible fire of the brigade.

## ROLL OF HONOR

"Your paper is excellent and should be in the hands of every Socialist," says MOLLIE FLAGG, Arizona. MAX DAMN, Massachusetts, will do a world of good, this week. He purchases \$\$ worth of cards. L. P. SHUTT, California, knocks at the

four years. "I have got to have The American Socialist. Since my paper stopped it seems I don't have any Socialist news at all. Here is money to cover another year's subscription.'' RUBEN SMALLEY, Min-

THOMAS ORCUTT, Montana, through little effort secures the names of five f his friends who will all fight for the EDWARD G. GASHEL, Iowa, follows in the lead with 6 husky volunteers who will join the army ranks.

BORIS MOSE, New Jersey: 'I want these comrades to read the best Socialist paper in the world so enter them on your mailing list.' Six names from this city

mailing list." Six names from this city are put on our roster.

"I am very sorry to see the circulation from," writes GEORGE R. JONES. He lends us his help by subscribing four years to The American Socialist.
"Every little boost helps, so here is a list of 4," says L. G. BOYD, Oregon.

A comrade in Philadelphia sends us a little force of 10.

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us \$1 for a four year's subscription.

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"I am sorry to be even suspected of being a delinquent in a cause that means so much to me. I don't want to miss the paper so you will find the yellow slip with my name for a four year's subscription." H. M. WLISON, Pennsylvania.

Four Mexicans with M. B. McDONALD in the lead make their way to the fight. Four Meanicans with M. B. McDONALD in the lead make their way to the fighting ground of the "On" and "Off" army, "I am sending money order for four subs to help boost our valuable paper to the top of the 60,000 Hill where it surely belongs." ANNA B. WILLO.UGHBY, flalfforming.

The best I can do for the csuse is to subscription cards." SAMUEL ZLO-TOFF, New York, order, a good supply Nino names come from Pennsylvania.
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and Socialist news his interest will not
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Ending private control of employment, of the markets and of the government would be worth more as a protective measure than all possible forts, battleships and amu-

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## ABOR AFTER THE WAR

By A. M. SIMONS

HEN the sun finally shines through the smoke clouds and blood steam and poisoned gas of war it will look upon a sota. blood steam and poisoned gas of war it will look upon a sota new world,—not only in Europe, but upon this side the Atlantic. of the State of Minnesota permits Industry, finance, politics and the whole mental life of peoples their servant to be connected with will have been changed. Those who do not see this fact, and who pends upon its privilege to steal reason as if the whole world would run on in the same old chanfrom the workers? — Minnespolis,
Minn., Labor Reviews. nels, after the world and the channels alike have been blown to bits are too shallow to be more than slight obstacles in the way

of clear thinking.

A new ruling class, using new instruments will confront a different subject class fighting on a changed battle-ground. Privilege are 20,000 miners in this A new ruling class, using new instruments will confront a different subject class fighting on a changed battle-ground. Private competing capitalists have already almost disappeared. The money lord—the bondholder and banker—is supplanting the toollord—the industrial capitalist—as the latter displaced the landlord a century ago.

State capitalism has already taken the place of private industry. This process will go much further before the war ends. The working and the fighting strength of labor will be organized to do the will of a ruling class on a scale so stupendous as to exceed our wildest prophecles.

THIS IS THE new world within which Socialists must fight even though peace be patched up before the war has run its apparently inevitable course to bankruptcy, repudiation and social revolution. Personally, I believe it will run this course, either in this war or another that would follow any truce that might come before.

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In either case the Socialist Party will confront a bigger task than any it has ever hoped to accomplish. It will need new tools with which to do that work. It is time to be thinking of these things, and those who do not see them should cease to cumber the way with niffling habble-We cannot stop the war. We did not start it. We have done little so far in relation to it that we can be proud of, except by comparison with

Our great task is now before us. It is the task of organizing the social revolution that must follow upon this holocaust.

For this we must prepare? The first step to that end is to see that

the Socialist Party of this country is not used as a tool of any of the warring rulers of Europe. Our brother parties in Europe have sometimes been so used. To blink at that fact is to leave an opening for similar work 

THIS CANNOT BE DONE. But trying to do it may kill the Socialist Party just as the task for which it was created lies ready to its hand. That task, for us, must be accomplished on this continent. Unless we can so suit our propaganda to American life and American thought as to draw to us the American workingman and woman then we will be quietly shoved one side for some organization that can so suit itself. We will learn this lesson or die.

Our press and party must be ready to direct the mighty changes that will sweep across the world when this war ends. In the meantime we must seek out the ways by which those changes must come and how the way can best be prepared for them. If we cannot do this, then it will be written that the Socialist Party was but the John the Baptist of the Social Revolution, crying in the wilderness but blind to the coming of the hour it proclaimed. We need no longer tell of the advantages of state capitalism. One,

year of war has taught the world more of the possibilities of government organized and directed industry than years of Socialist preaching could have taught. The masters of tomorrow, who have learned that lesson will teach us the next chapter, if we are fools enough to sit applauding at their feet. That next chapter deals with the possibilities of well-disciplined armies of organized slaves.

The masters have learned the need and the advantages of organized science, philanthropy, industry, government and politics. They will not try to grasp the advantages of these without losing the profits of human slavery.

They will surfeit us with pensions and insurance and welfare scheme if we will not disturb them with visions of liberty. Millons of well-fed slaves who will work and think and fight as their masters direct will be the ideal of the rulers of tomorrow. That is the lesson they have learned from this war.

THE ONE THING that will be hidden from labor is the road to democracy and liberty. These are the only things worth having. Better a starving rebel than a fattened slave. Better all the mistakes of democracy than the smooth efficiency of tyranny. These are the lessons the war should teach labor and that labor should teach the world.

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The handle of this knife is made of material that is very durable, yet it is as transparent as glass and as clear as crystal. The knife has two blades made of the finest tempered rasor steel. The mounting is of German silver and cannot that "bread and circuses" might bribe us to kill and be killed.

the advantages of organization. Least of all did we resist exploitation that "bread and circuses" might bribe us to kill and be killed.

WHAT WE NEED now is rebellion and democracy. There is more of hope for the future in starving rebels resisting enlistment than in wellfed slaves moving forward in machine-like obedience to organized lust for power.

We need independence and initiative and education. We have seen some of the damnable defects of discipline in the Socialist movement. There is infinitely more hope for the freedom of labor in 100,000 Welsh miners cursing their union officials and whipping their employers at the same time than in a beautiful organized machine voting war credits, driving out all real Socialists and rushing to fight and die for a military

To be sure we need organization, discipline and direction in industry, government and political movements. But these by themselves are but the dead shells that confine and crush the life within.

If we fail to heed the lessons of this war, if we permit the movement And he will. that has cost us so much to become the tool of some European belligerent, if we, in this time of crisis, forget the lessons that the masters have already learned from us and have now translated into action, then we deserve the death that will be inevitable.

LYING TO OURSELVES is poor amusement. On this Labor Day an opportunity stands at the door of the American Socialists such as has never come to a subject class in all the thousands of years that men have served masters. The very things of which we have dreamed for centuries are within sight Capitalism is blowing itself to fragments. Whether those fragments

will be built up into the "coming slavery," or into the structure of the Social Democracy we now have the power to decide. We cannot bring peace now. We may easily make that peace harder

by misdirected actions. We can also decide whether, when peace comes, it shall be a "peace of Warsaw," with labor frightened, fooled and fattened into contented organized servitude, or the peace of a labor ruled society of cooperative

## George Vincent, President of the

University of Minnesota, is one of the administrators of the Rockefeller Foundation.

He is supposed to be the servant

How much longer will the people an institution whose existence de-

"The Joplin miners are being rap- next installment will appear in the

nal the Arbeiter Zeitung and the clerical organ the Reichspost. The Socialist journal printed the Pope's appeal on its front page, giving salient peace passages in talics; the clerical organ gave it on a back page, and was indignant with its Socialist contemporary for making

ful work in the Socialist movement.

The only honest thing to do is to repudiate all war debts

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ls a drone that gets the honey.

have put millions of men out of employment and made millions of women victims of industrial condi-

"Babies of the poor," says the Industrial Commission's report, "die three times as fast as those of the rich." Industrial conditions murder more than universal war does.

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coming week's issue. Y. P. S. L. NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

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so much of it. The Arbeiter Zeitung so much of it. The Arbeiter Zeitung so much of it. The Arbeiter Zeitung has replied in trenchant style, showing up the oddity and irony of the whole position.

The Chemnitz Volkstimme, a German Socialist organ, reports that the Germans on their entry into Warsaw liberated forty political prisoners from the Warsaw citadel who had despaired of ever gaining their freedom. The majority of them were Russian Socialists. The newspaper says that the citadel ranked in revolutionary annals with the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul in St. Petersburg as a place for political prisoners.

The arrest of Clara Zetkin has caused a good deal of excitement and resentment among:t German workers, though the censors are doing their futmost to prevent the expression of criticism of the militarist action. The organization of Women Socialists in Switzerland has protested vehemently against the arrest, and their Socialist brethren in various quarters are arranging protest meetings.

The Reichttag has adopted a Socialist resolution calling for the organization by the government of a bureau, under the auspices of the Federal Bureau, to take charge of the federal Bureau, to take cha

ganization by the government of a bureau, under the auspices of the Federal Bureau, to take charge of the food problem, with the authority to confiscate food products in behalf of the people. The bureau will include members of the Social Democratic party.

J. E. B. Reed is the editor of The American Negro Socialist, the first issue of which has just appeared at Butte, Mont. Its purpose is to cargive the message of Socialism to the excellence of the first number in dicates that it will do a big and uselful work in the Socialist movement.

| Interesting the collection of May, Election Eve, etc. Send is first of May, Election Eve, etc. Send is march to may, think that the Summer slump has hit the Y. P. S. L., but the reports four the wall of the massage have made the mistake of sidescentinuing all activities during the hot weather, — most of them take advantage of the chance to build up the social spiration for the winter's work. Within a period of three weeks five new Contains of the National Y. P. S. L. They are Cincinnati, O.; Peoria, III.; Lynn, Mass.; Sheboygan, Wisc., and the Central West Side, Chicago. That's not such a bad record. Welcome to the newcomers, they strengthen the messless and they strengthen the whole federation. Keep up the good work.

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ORGANIZATION.
The Bronx Y. P. S. L. has a number of good 'soap-boxers.' It is holding street meetings under the auspices of the Socialist Party. It also had a brilliant

The man who is ignorant of being ignorant, ignores all opportunity to learn.

The fellow who always "votes her straight" is merely hustling offices for the other man.

"Watchful waiting" failed to induce the American people to another thuse for war, so the interests order Wilson to pull it off anyhow. And he will.

If employment and the market were in the hands of the whole people, one-third of the workers of America would not be poverty stricken.

It is the desire to cut wages and the system which gives employment into the hands of individuals that have put millions of men out of employment and made and Vocal Chorus. The flags of dances will be under way soon.

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## Roslindale, (Mass.), reports a very successful public meeting at People's Park, with Henry Parker as the speaker. Eight new members were taken in as the re-

The Rand School of Social Science has just issued its new Educational Bulletin. The work of the school is of greatest benefit to all young Socialists,—the Correspondence Courses being especially valuable to small Ciroles. Address The Rand School, 140 E. 19th st., New York City.

Socialist Party Young People's Dept. 803 W. Madison St., Chicago.

If it's too hot to hold a meeting and your crowd shows up anyway, — just take them out into the park. You can have your work and pleasure there just as well as inside, — and the hot-air is dissipated ever so much more quickly. Seyeral Leagues have already tried this,—much to their advantage.

A resily five entercainment committee will always try to arrange some pleasant surprise for the membership. Our Omaha; (Nebr.), League is fortunate in the possession of such a committee,—one that any league might be proud of. Their latest stunt was a watermedon support to pay up' for unavoidably long and hard business meeting. A good suggestion for other leagues.

A result interest of their success lies in political action.

For a long time the Socialists have been hoping that the working men of Chicago would begin to show a glimmer of almost human intelligence on election day.

Last spring a few of them did show real intelligence. In two wards they quit voting for the interests of themselves and their families.

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McKeesport. (Pa.), is arranging for a Lawn Fete in conjunction with the Socialist Party. It's to be SOME affair.

As an eloquent answer to the argument that Marriage is a disruptive factor in a Y. P. S. L., I can quote the novel way in which a certain officer of a State Y. P. S. L. announced his new partnership. If swrote in one of his business letters: Secretary to Mrs. Certain Officer, address, to same as mine. I followed So-and-So's advice and made her a League worker, Were I a prophet or a saint there might be grave temptation to preach a sermon on the matter. However, since marriage is only a highly interesting incidental function of the Y. P. S. L., I shall have to refrain from saying, "Go thou and do in the matter. However, since marriage is only a highly interesting incidental function of the Y. P. S. L., I shall have to refrain from saying, "Go thou and do in the matter. However, since marriage is only a highly interesting incidental function of the Y. P. S. L., I shall have to refrain from saying, "Go thou and do in the matter. However, since marriage is only a highly interesting incidental function of the Y. P. S. L., I shall have to refrain from saying, "Go thou and do in the matter. However, since marriage is only a highly interesting incidental function of the Y. P. S. L. and the work of the fellows and their families.

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ONE OF them introduced a resolution in the city council designed to make the use of strike breakers in the sector. The sector of the strike of the make the use of strike breakers in the sector of the se

The war has not been able to swerve the Young Socialist Organizations of Holland from their loyalty to the International. Though the machinations of the jingoes drive all the rest of the world into the bloody turmoil, so far as the Dutch young socialists are concerned there will be "Nothing Do-

"Het Jonge Volk" (The Young Folks) tells of the outing of one of their many walking clubs. The young people started out almost a hundred strong and, after wend-ing their way along the canals and dykes, came to the Naval Station. As they marched along in plain sight and hearing of one of the ships, they started to sing. No patriotic tune theirs,—It was trench-ant with Anti-militarism, the title (translated literally) against War." The sailors on hearng this song threw their caps into the air and cheered the young so-Military service in Holland as in

most other European countries, is compulsory. It was not the fault of these sailors that they were there. They were really workers, impressed for the time in the service of Mars, but they never forgot Capitalist civilization has clearly experienced a blow-out.

In the hive of industry bees-ness a drone that gets the honey.

The workers lose in every war.

The man who is ignorant of being ignorant, ignores all opportunity of the properties of t

our own.

Omaha, (Nebr.), reports a new way to organize; a Y. P. S. L. They held a "high five" card party and took in 28 charter members. They report fine prospects, and are enthusiastic over their progress. EDUCATION.

Paterson reports that the warm weather shown in the Rand School's Correspondence Course. Something more than tom foolery here.

ers who carry such as Hill on their backs and that he has no intention of training himself to the same level that he recommends to the work-res." ers who carry such as Hill on their

## AN OBJECT LESSON

By JOHN M. WORK

In reviewing the progress made since last Labor Day, the Chicago THE JOY OF LIFE.

Two successful picnics past and three more arranged for is the record of the Phlladelphia Ylpsels. And they were all gain very much, but they at least gained instead of losing.

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was due to political action. It was due to the fact that in two wards SAILORS IN DUTCH NAVY CHEER the workers quit voting for their SOCIALIST ANTI-MILITARISTS. enemies' interests and voted for their own. If two aldermen can accomplish this, what could we not accomplish if we would fill the city councils,

legislatures, and other public bo-dies and positions with Socialists?

## **WORK FOR LIVE WIRES**

Requests are already being received for copies of the petition

published in The American Socialist, August 14, which strikes at the street car strike is one of the as- robbery of the workers by the present infamous financial system. Every Socialist and Socialist sym-

pathizer should be armed with one of these petitions and join in the ef-The secret of their success lies in fort to gather hundreds of thousands of names to be submitted to the next session of congress. You can get as many of these petto itions as you can use by sending in

> some of these petition blanks now! Perhaps the European war was intended to make conditions for labor across the pond as bad as they are here, so that there would be more emigration to America and

Poland has been "freed." That to say, another foreign nation is to say who is to be its king.

other "colonies" of the kings.

Perhaps the Mexican war scare is for the purpose of diverting attention from Wilson's backdown relative to Germany.

A little over a year ago business was a robber by stealth. Now it is using the gun and is a common hlghwayman.

Edison's idea that the captains of industry should be in charge of "mobilizing" the army-to-be is not a new invention. They have had of the murder machine for

a long time. It would appear that little nations stand no more show of "justice" than do the little business man. Only a union of the whole people can prove stronger than the union of

the plutocrats. They say labor has revised the song to read "I didn't raise my kid

All the murders ever committed by individuals would not number 's hundreth part of the people that have been slain in war. All that has been stolen through robbery and crimes punishable by a thousandth part of what has been working class from robbery, unemcontrol of employment and the

## 58 DATES FOR GERMER AND GOEBEL

We have thus far received 58 dates for Germer and Goebel. We must have at least 100 dates before a tour can be arranged. Locals that have not yet sent in their contracts should do so at once. TERMS: You can secure these speakers for the sale of 200 subscrip-

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